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SUBJECT: PRESS RELEASE ON NORAD AGREEMENT RENEWAL

THE FOLLOWING PRESS RELEASE WILL BE ISSUED AT 4:30 P.M.

LOCAL TIME, MAY 8: BEGIN TEXT

THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA HAVE AGREED TO RENEW THE NORTH AMERICAN AIR DEFENSE (NORAD) AGREEMENT FOR AN ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. THE RENEWAL WAS EFFECTED TODAY IN WASHINGTON BY AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES SIGNED BY THE CANADIAN AMBASSADOR MARCEL CADIEUX AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR CANADIAN AFFAIRS RICHARD D. VINE.

NORAD IS AN INTEGRATED US-CANADIAN AIR DEFENSE COMMAND WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SURVEILLANCE AND CONTROL OF NORTH AMERICAN AIR SPACE AND FOR THE DEFENSE OF NORTH AMERICA AGAINST AIR ATTACK. U.S.-CANADIAN COOPERATION IN  
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THIS FIELD IS CONDUCTED WITHIN THE GENERAL FRAMEWORK OF

MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER NATO. ESTABLISHED IN 1957, NORAD HEADQUARTERS IS IN COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO. THE PRESENT COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IS GENERAL L. D. CLAY, JR., UNITED STATES AIR FORCE, AND HIS DEPUTY IS LIEUTENANT GENERAL RICHARD C. STOVEL, CANADIAN FORCES.

THE NORAD RENEWAL TAKES INTO ACCOUNT THE CHANGES IN THE CHARACTER OF STRATEGIC WEAPONS AND THE THREAT POSED BY THEM TO NORTH AMERICA WHICH HAVE OCCURRED SINCE NORAD WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED. THE AGREEMENT MAKES CLEAR THAT THE CONTINUING, IF CHANGING, THREAT FROM THE MANNED BOMBER STILL CALLS FOR CLOSE US-CANADIAN COOPERATION IN AIR DEFENSE FOR NORTH AMERICA. WHILE PARTICIPATING IN THE WARNING, AEROSPACE SURVEILLANCE, AND CONTROL FUNCTIONS OF NORAD, CANADA WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN ANY ACTIVE ANTI-BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE. UNDER THE TERMS OF THE NEW AGREEMENT, CLOSE COORDINATION AND COOPERATION WILL TAKE PLACE BETWEEN CIVILIAN AND MILITARY AIRSPACE CONTROL AUTHORITIES IN THE US AND CANADA. END TEXT.

FYI - WE UNDERSTAND GOC WILL BE TABLING TEXT OF NORAD EXCHANGE OF NOTES IN PARLIAMENT ON MAY 9 AND MAKING SEPARATE PRESS RELEASE ALSO ON MAY 9. END FYI. KISSINGER UNQUOTE

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